

Drainage Board Meeting
August 7, 2012

Present: Al Logsdon, Mickey Toler, David Gogel, Surveyor Herron, Attorney Wilkinson, Auditor Lynam

Meeting was called to order by President Logsdon at 11:00 A.M.

Minutes

Minutes from the July 3, 2012 meeting were read and approved. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Toler, seconded by Gogel, motion passed.

Surveyors Report

Herron had talked to Steve Leiberling who was clearing 130 acres of timber on Charles Kamuf. Leiberling told him there was no way he could get to the next phase on JC Hoople this year, it would probably be next year before he could get to it. Herron felt it would be best to wait for Leiberlings to do it otherwise it would cost us more to get it done. He couldn't see any problem in waiting. Logsdon ask how far east and west they would be clearing. Herron replied that east would be to the Richland Highway, and west would be County Road 900 to 400 if not up to CR 700 W. Most of the land owners only want one side cleared, some want both sides cleared but for the most it will only be one side. Logsdon asked if we would have a problem with the bank sliding off and Herron responded that the stumps would not be removed, and debris would only be removed 18 inches deep. Logsdon asked how often it would need to be cleaned out once that is completed. Herron answered that nothing had been done for fifty years. Logsdon then asked for an estimate from Herron on what it would cost if Leiberlings don't do the work. Herron estimated that if Leiberlings don't do the work it would cost approximately 5 or 6 dollars a foot, if Leiberlings do it, it would only be approximately 2 to 2.50 dollars per foot, a savings of 30 to 35,000 dollars if they get the trees out first.

Sweezer Ditch bid specs will be out by the 1st of September.

Toler asked if the tree tops that Ransom Logging had dropped in Pigeon Creek had been cleaned up and Herron responded they had been cleaned up.

Legal Report

Wilkinson said he had done some research on the road maintenance question and there were some statutes governing that: they would have to have a joint board from both counties to oversee it.

Herron said that Warrick County would like to do it on a rotating basis. Spencer County to clean it one year and two years later Warrick County clean it. Herron said he would recommend just doing it on a 50/50 basis. Logsdon said they should take it before their 8 member board at the next meeting and see what they had to say about it. Herron then said he had spoken to some of the Council members and was told to put the ditch spraying expenses on his regular budget, so he had done that.

Logsdon received a copy of a Marshall County Lawsuit filed against the Drainage Board by a property owner because he was assessed a portion of their drainage reconstruction projects cost. This was the findings of the court and he presented it to Attorney Wilkinson to keep in case we needed it for future reference.

Gogel made a motion to adjourn, Toler seconded the motion, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 11:22 A.M.

President

Attest:

Auditor


